

Mr. D. Swainson
Cambridge

Christ's College Lodge,
Cambridge.

Midland
Grand Hotel

S. Parsons Row, Sep. 5: 1856

Sir,

I trust that you have heard
before now from our common
friend Dr. Bouney of the degree of
the University of Cambridge
offer to you the degree of Doctor in
Science Honorary. The proposal
was made in the Council of the
Senate on June 21 and I enclose
a copy of the minutes: it was
then thought that you might be
in England & receive it - or July 9
when Honorary degrees were
conferred on Sir Charles, Fisher
& a few others - but you will see
that resolution was made for
the greater probability of your being
here in the October term.

A very serious domestic
affliction and unusual & painful
business connected with it - has kept

me largely from Cambridge in
the interim - but I awaited
myself of a few hours with
them yesterday to obtain a copy
of the minutes of the Council and
with the day on which it will
be possible to confer the degree
should you do us the honour to
accept it. The earliest day
available will be October 14.
at 2 P.M. I trust that you will
be able to stay in England over
that day

and I hope that Lady Dawson
and you will give us a warm
welcome the pleasure of being our
guests on that day and if you
can stay with us a few days
longer so much the better. We
expect Dr Watson to preach before
the University on the 17th.

I must be leave here on
Wednesday. Any letter after
Tuesday should be sent to Cambridge

I have the honor to

Sir

Your obedient-faithful

servant

C. A. Swainson

Vice-Chancellor

Sir William Dawson F.R.S. C.M.G.

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